

## LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 CFR §447.205, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare is giving public notice of an impending change in the Idaho State Medicaid Plan.

The change will modify the primary care physician monthly case management payments for the Healthy Connections program. The new structure will allow primary care physicians to choose which of three tiers to participate in. The structure is based on complexity of the participant's healthcare needs and the primary care physician's ability to meet those needs.

Primary care case management (PCCM) services are currently offered under the Healthy Connections and Health Homes programs. These state plan changes will transition PCCM services from the Health Homes program to the Healthy Connections program and move program operations towards outcome based health care, which is consistent with the implementation of the legislative intent language passed by the 2015 Idaho Legislature and in accordance with Governor Otter's executive orders #2010-15 and #2010-10 to develop a statewide patient-centered medical home model of care.

The effective date of these changes is February 1, 2016. There is no expected increase or decrease in annual aggregate expenditures. Existing funding will be redistributed to reimburse providers who choose to provide patient-centered care coordination activities.

Public hearings will be conducted in October 2015. Technical questions and information on locations, dates, and times for the hearings may be requested by sending an e-mail request to Cindy Brock, Alternative Care Coordinator at [brockc@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:brockc@dhw.idaho.gov) or by phone at (208) 364-1983.

Reimbursement questions can be answered by e-mailing your request to Cale Coyle, Principal Financial Specialist at [coylec@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:coylec@dhw.idaho.gov) or by calling (208) 364-1817.

Written comments may also be sent to and reviewed by the public at the following address:

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